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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Application of Kiyoaki EGAWA  
STORAGE MEDIUM TRANSPORTING APPARATUS WITH AN  
IMPROVED TRANSMISSION MECHANISM FOR DRIVING A PICKER  
Assignee: NEC CORPORATION  
Our Ref.: Q80674

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 41 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 30 sheets of formal drawings, a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) with references.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	17	-	20	=	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	3	-	3	=	x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee								\$770.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>								<b>\$770.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment								\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>								<b>\$810.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003-097213	March 31, 2003

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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